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SUBJECT: RESUMPTION OF CYPRUS TALKS

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1. ACCORDING TO QUAI ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR EUROPE REUILLARD, THE EC-NINE EXPECT IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS TO MAKE A DEMARCHE TO UNSYG WALDHEIM URGING HIM TO CALL FOR ANOTHER ROUND OF TALKS ON CYPRUS. THE NINE BELIEVE THAT DESPITE WALDHEIM'S ASSERTIONS THAT HE WILL NOT CALL FOR TALKS WITHOUT PRIOR ASSURANCE OF ACCEPTANCE BY THE INTERESTED PARTIES, THE UNSYG'S STRONG DESIRE TO LIMIT DISSENSION DURING THE UPCOMING UNGA DEBATE ON CYPRUS MAKES THIS MOMENT OPPORTUNE. THE NINE WOULD FOLLOW UP IN ATHENS AND ANKARA, HE ADDED.

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2. TURNING TO THE GENERAL STATE OF GREEK-TURKISH

RELATIONS, REUILLARD COMMENTED THAT THERE WILL BE NO PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT UNTIL THE CYPRUS PROBLEM IS SETTLED. SUCH A SETTLEMENT, HE SAID, WILL REQUIRE A GESTURE ON THE PART OF TURKEY WHICH UNTIL NOW HAS MADE ONLY DEMANDS OF THE GREEKS AND HAS BEEN UNWILLING TO GIVE AN INCH ON THE KEY CONCESSION FOR ANY SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATION -- THE RETURN OF SOME TERRITORY TO THE GREEK CYPRIOTS. HE THOUGHT THE TERRITORIAL QUESTION WAS THE HEART OF THE PROBLEM AND THAT, WHATEVER THE OBSTACLES, A WAY WOULD HAVE TO BE FOUND TO MAKE THE TURKS RECOGNIZE THAT FACT AND REVISE THEIR POLICY ACCORDINGLY.
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